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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 20, 2003 in the above-referenced patent application, the Applicant requests that the following amendments be entered:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 3, 4, 8, 9, 11, 16-19, 21 and 22 to read as follows:

- 1. (Amended) A plastic zipper comprising first and second interlockable parts, said first interlockable part having a male profile and said second interlockable part having a female profile, wherein said female profile comprises inwardly facing first and second hooks and outwardly extending first and second wings, said first and second wings being sloped so as to quide said male profile towards a center plane of said female profile when said male profile impinges on either of said first and second wings during movement toward said female profile.
- 3. (Amended) The zipper as recited in claim [1] $\underline{2}$, wherein said first wing has an apex having a lateral offset

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Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application is an Amendment.

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Respectfully submitted,

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